

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On Page 1, line 1 please amend the paragraph as follows:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Applicant's claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 of German Application No. 199 06 484.9 filed February 17, 1999. Applicants also claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § ~~120~~ 371 of PCT/DE00/00447 filed February 17, 2000. The international application under PCT Article 21(2) was not published in English.